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Hello Adam:

Thank You Very Much for timely forwarding all attached as I will review the same.

Kind Regards,

Jose Cisneros

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Mr. Allegratti:

I am attaching the ASTM International publication that I referenced on our call earlier today. As I explained, 40 C.F.R. Part 136 specifies the test procedures, including sample preservation procedures, for chemical analysis of water samples. In 40 C.F.R. § 136.3, footnote 6 of Table II

identifies ASTM D7365-09a as the authority for sampling, preservation, and mitigating interferences in water samples collected for cyanide analysis.

I am also attaching a copy of Method OIA 1677-09 for analysis of available cyanide. You and your colleagues may find helpful the discussion of sample preservation in Sections 8.4 and 8.6 of the method. Please note that, pursuant to 40 C.F.R. § 136.3(e), the information in ASTM D7365-09a prevails over any conflicting information in specific methods, including Method OIA 1677-09.

Have a safe and pleasant weekend.

Thank you,
Adam

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Mr. Allegretti,

Ahead of our meeting on Friday, I am recirculating the agenda that Samantha previously provided with one new item added. Please see below and let us know if you need any clarification before our meeting.

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Hello Ms. Ricci

Ken Myers is back in the office today and is a bit overwhelmed. Can we do the Friday time?
Joe a

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Mr. Allegretti,

Below is our availability for the week of July 25th. We have a preference for July 25th from 12:30 – 2:30 pm ET.

- Monday, July 25: 12-5 pm ET
- Tuesday, July 26: 12-2 pm ET
- Thursday, July 28: 12-1 pm ET
- Friday, July 29: 1-2 or 3-4 pm ET

Thanks,

Samantha

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Ken Myers is out of the office all this week. Do you have any time the week of July 26?

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Hello Mr. Allegretti,

For the time being, limiting the submissions to one relevant test result per month from 2019 to date is fine. **FOIA Exemption (b)(7)(A)**

Below are some dates and times we are available for a call. We have a preference for July 19th, if that works for you. Please let me know ECSD's availability and I will send a calendar invite.

- July 15: 12:00-3:30pm, 4:00-5:00pm ET
- July 18: 3:00-5:00pm ET
- July 19: 12:00-1:00pm ET

Thanks,

Samantha

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Hello Ms. Ricci

Mr. Cisneros advises that the available cyanide test results are voluminous. May we limit our submission to one relevant test result per month from year 2019 to date?

Regarding a phone conference day and time, we are flexible and your group is larger than ours.

Please pick some times and we will make something work.

Joe a

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